for the government and regulation of the said school as by them shall be deemed CHAP. requilite, which rules and regulations shall be observed by the masters, ushers, tutors and scholars, of the said school.

XXIII.

V. And, in order to perpetuate the succession of the said trustees, Be it enacted. That as often as any one or more of the said trustees shall resign, die, How vacanor remove out of the said counties of Somerset and Worcester, the remaining cies are to be trustees, or a majority of them, shall, at their next stated meeting, before they proceed to other business, elect a suitable person to fill such vacancy, residing in the county in which such vacancy shall happen, who shall, before he proceeds to act as trustee for said school, qualify in manner aforesaid.

VI. And be it enafted, That the said trustees, or a majority of them, are Trustees may hereby empowered to receive and recover all monies due to the said school in the receive monies, &c. hands of the former visitors, or any of them, or any of their heirs, executors or administrators, or any other person or persons, and the same to apply to the use of the faid school.

VII. Provided. That nothing in this act shall compel the said trustees, or a Proviso. majority of them, to fell the said school and lands, unless the said trustees, or a majority of them, should be of opinion that a removal of the said school would be of public utility to the said counties of Somerset and Worcester.

## C H A P. XXIV.

An ACT for recording a patent therein mentioned. THEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that by a special warrant of resurvey, dated the third day of January, seventeen hundred and seventy-one, on a tract of land called Button's Chance, a certain James Button had surveyed and laid out for him the quantity of one hundred and fixty-three acres of land, lying in Dorchester county, called Button's Intent, and that the said James Button, by an assignment, bearing date the fourteenth day of November, seventeen hundred and seventy-two, transferred and made over all his right, title and interest, to the certificate of the said land, to a certain Josias Mace, of the county aforesaid: And whereas it further appears, that the said certificate was regularly compounded on and returned to the register of the land-office, and that a patent thereon was made out by the said register, and signed by the governor, and examined and attested by the chancel-Ior, bearing date the eighth day of August, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, but could not be recorded by the faid register, inasmuch as the certificate for the said land had been lost: And whereas it is reasonable and just that the title of and in the said land should be confirmed to the respective owners and proprietors thereof, to whom the same hath come by sundry conveyances and descents; therefore,

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II. Be it enasted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the patent for Patent to be the said land called Button's Intent, made out in the name of the said Josias Mace, and dated the eighth day of August, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, and figned by Thomas Sim Lee, governor, and attested by Alexander Contee Hanson, chancellor, be and the same is hereby ordered and directed to be recorded in the land records of the western shore of this state, and the same, when so recorded, shall have the same effect and operation in law and equity as if it had been originally recorded on the eighth day of August, seventeen hundred and ninety-three, and the certificate aforesaid, upon the return thereof, had been also recorded in the said office agreeable to law, and there still remaining on record.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this act shall be Provide. construed to affect the right or title of any person or persons whatsoever already acquired to the whole or any part of the said tract of land so as aforesaid patented.